

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A toner supply container, detachably mountable to a main assembly of an image forming apparatus, for supplying toner to the main assembly of the image forming apparatus, said toner supply container comprising:
 - a main body for accommodating the toner;
 - a discharging opening for permitting discharging of the toner accommodated in the main body of said container;
 - a container shutter member for opening and closing said discharging opening;
 - a rotatable member rotatably supported by the main body of said container and having a drive transmitting portion for engaging with a rotational force transmitting means provided in the main assembly of said apparatus to transmit the rotational force to said rotational force transmitting means;
 - a rotating force receiving portion for receiving the rotating force from said rotating force transmitting means through engagement with said rotating force transmitting means, wherein said container shutter member is given a force for opening and closing said discharge opening by the rotating force received by said rotating force receiving portion;
- wherein when said toner supply container is

not mounted to the main assembly of the apparatus,
said rotatable member is rotatable relative to the
main assembly of said container between a first
position and a second position away from said first
5 position in a rotational direction of opening said
container shutter member by a predetermined rotational
angle;

said rotatable member being provided
with a contact portion which is contacted by the main
10 assembly of the apparatus to direct said rotatable
member to said second position when said drive
transmitting portion and said rotating force
transmitting means are engaged to mount said toner
supply container to the main assembly of the
15 apparatus.

2. A container according to Claim 1, wherein said
rotatable member is rotatable to said first position
when said container shutter member is closed.

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3. A container according to Claim 1, wherein said container
shutter member causes the main assembly shutter member
to open and close a toner receiving opening of the
main assembly of the apparatus by engagement with a
25 main assembly shutter member provided in the main
assembly of the apparatus.

4. Aconaatjj Claim 2, wherein after said drive transmitting portion and said rotating force transmitting means are engaged with each other, said rotatable member is rotated from said second position
5 to a third position relative to the main body of said container to open said container shutter member relative to said discharge opening, and said rotatable member is rotated from said third position to said first position relative to the main body of said
10 container to close said container shutter member relative to the discharge opening.

5. A container according to Claim 1, wherein when said toner supply container is dismounted from the
15 main assembly of the apparatus, said rotatable member is rotated from said first position to said second position by contact of said contact portion to the main assembly of the apparatus.

20 6. A container according to Claim 1, further comprising regulating means for regulating rotation of said rotatable member within a range between said first position and said second position when said toner supply container is not mounted to the main
25 assembly of the apparatus.

7. A container according to Claim 6, wherein said

regulating means is provided with a locking member for locking the rotation of said rotatable member.

8. A container according to Claim 7, wherein said
5 locking member is engageable with said rotatable member.

9. A container according to Claim 8, wherein the main body of said container is provided with a
10 projection, and said locking member is provided with a recess engageable with said projection, wherein said recess has a width, measured in a rotational direction of said rotatable member, which is larger than a sum of a width of said projection and a width through
15 which said projection moves when said rotatable member rotates between said first position and said second position.

10. A container according to Claim 7, wherein when
20 said toner supply container is mounted to the main assembly of the apparatus, said locking member release said rotatable member.

11. A container according to Claim 1, wherein said
25 contact portion is in the form of a projection and guides said rotatable member to said second position by contact to a cam provided in the main assembly of

the apparatus.

12. A container according to Claim 1, wherein said container shutter member has said rotating force
5 receiving portion.

13. A container according to Claim 1, wherein said rotatable member is provided with a grip portion.

10 14. An image forming apparatus comprising:
a rotating force transmitting means provided in a main assembly of said apparatus;
a toner supply container, detachably mountable to said main assembly of said apparatus, for
15 supplying toner to said main assembly of said apparatus, said toner supply container including;
a main body for accommodating the toner;
a discharging opening for permitting discharging of the toner accommodated in the main body
20 of said container;
a container shutter member for opening and closing said discharging opening;
a rotatable member rotatably supported by the main body of said container and having a drive
25 transmitting portion for engaging with a rotational force transmitting means provided in the main assembly of said apparatus to transmit the rotational force to

said rotational force transmitting means;

a rotating force receiving portion for receiving the rotating force from said rotating force transmitting means through engagement with said
5 rotating force transmitting means, wherein said container shutter member is given a force for opening and closing said discharge opening by the rotating force received by said rotating force receiving portion;

10 wherein when said toner supply container is not mounted to the main assembly of the apparatus, said rotatable member is rotatable relative to the main assembly of said container between a first position and a second position away from said first
15 position in a rotational direction of opening said container shutter member by a predetermined rotational angle;

said rotatable member being provided with a contact portion which is contacted by the main
20 assembly of the apparatus to direct said rotatable member to said second position when said drive transmitting portion and said rotating force transmitting means are engaged to mount said toner supply container to the main assembly of the
25 apparatus.

15. An apparatus according to Claim 14, wherein

said rotatable member is rotatable to said first
position when said container shutter member is closed.

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